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Howard County Board of License Commissioners approve Emergency Temporary Alcohol Beverage License Relief in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic

Ellicott City, MD – (March 20, 2020) – On March 20, 2020, the Howard County Board of License Commissioners met in an Emergency Session to unanimously pass emergency temporary measures to provide much needed economic relief to the many restaurants and bars being impacted by the COVID-19 Pandemic. Effective immediately, restaurants, bars, breweries, wineries, distilleries, liquor stores, and other entities holding a local license to sell alcoholic beverages may engage in delivery and carry-out sales of alcohol, under certain conditions. Please refer to the adopted Resolution for details at:

<https://cc.howardcountymd.gov/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=iJ8bgOhaScM%3d&tabid=146&portalid=0>

Board of License Commissioners Chair David Yungmann states, “We hope this action provides some relief to the restaurants and bars that are some of the most adversely impacted businesses during this challenging period. I appreciate Governor Hogan granting us the temporary authority to both expand opportunities for our local businesses and to further support critical social distancing. I’d also like to thank my colleagues on the Board of License Commissioners for their support and swift action.”

The Board of License Commissioners meeting is being [restreamed online](#) for those interested in watching the proceedings.

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